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GPO Microfilm Program Authorized by Joint Committee on Printing



In a letter dated March 25, 1977, addressed to the Public Printer, Mr. Thomas F. McCormick, from the Chairperson of the Joint Committee on Printing, Senator Howard W. Cannon, authorization was given for the GPO Microform Program. The text is as follows:

"In accordance with and in furtherance of previous authorizations of the Joint Committee on Printing, relative to the response of the Superintendent of Documents to the designated depository libraries pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 19, title 44, United States Code—Depository Library Program, this is to advise that you are authorized as follows:

"(1) To convert to microfiche, as necessary and as requested by individual depository libraries, that category of publications identified as 'non-GPO documentation.'

"(2) To convert to microfiche, as necessary and as requested by individual depository libraries and when savings in costs are clearly demonstrable, that category of publications identified as 'GPO documentation.'

"It is our understanding that GPO's Micropublishing Advisory Council, including appropriate membership from the depository library community and private industry, will be activated.

"It is the Joint Committee's understanding that the continuing initiation of these steps will be vested in the Superintendent of Documents, with your concurrence, rather than being left to the discretion, partially or wholly, of individual departments or agencies.

"Finally, nothing in this authorization shall be construed as establishing any form of a microform sales concept."

Special GPO Sales Program Scheduled for ALA Meeting

A lively presentation by GPO will take place at the upcoming annual American Library Association Meeting to be held in Detroit, Michigan. Be sure not to miss it, and sign up at the Meeting for the Federal Documents Task Force Program which

will occur on June 21st at 2:00 p.m. The very latest information will be provided on how to most effectively place orders, obtain subscriptions, utilize GPO Bookstore services, and deal with problem areas.

GPO's Cooperative Cataloging Program

Under the auspices of the Federal Library Committee, the GPO Library Division has begun an ambitious program of shared cataloging with other Federal libraries. A major goal of the program is the reduction of duplicate cataloging efforts, leading to each agency assuming cataloging responsibility for its publications. This will result in tighter bibliographic control, more uniform treatment of documents, and an improvement in the timeliness of the MONTHLY CATALOG.

The program is presently designed for monographs only, since GPO's involvement in CONSER (Conversion of Serials Project) precludes any serials effort. Libraries interested in joining the shared cataloging program should be OCLC members via FEDLINK (Federal Library Network) and cataloging in the MARC format.

The cooperating libraries interact directly with GPO catalogers who are responsible for that agency's publications, and consult on decisions regarding name authorities and series treatment. Following the physical exchange of hard copy, the cooperating agency's cataloging is received at GPO on an OCLC terminal, and is then revised and checked against GPO's authority files for consistency with prior usage in the MONTHLY CATALOG.

Present participants in the program are the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, along with

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Agricultural Information



Many depository libraries are situated in agricultural areas and make wide use of Department of Agriculture publications provided through the depository program. Even depositories in urban areas get occasional requests for specialized agricultural information.

One of the most sophisticated sources of agricultural information in the world is freely available to depositories, or to any information user for that matter. To obtain bibliographies on agricultural subjects, or answers to any far-out agricultural question, write to:

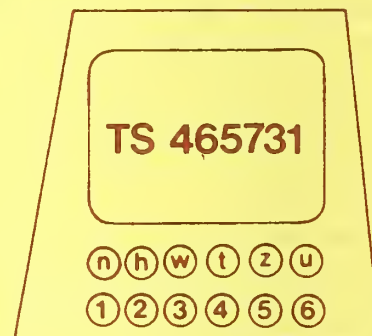
Reference Division
National Agricultural Library
Beltsville, Maryland 20705

Depository libraries serving agricultural areas should also be sure to get on the mailing list for **Agricultural Information Notes**, mailed out monthly by the National Agricultural Library. It is filled with useful information on how to answer agricultural questions and is available free for the asking from:

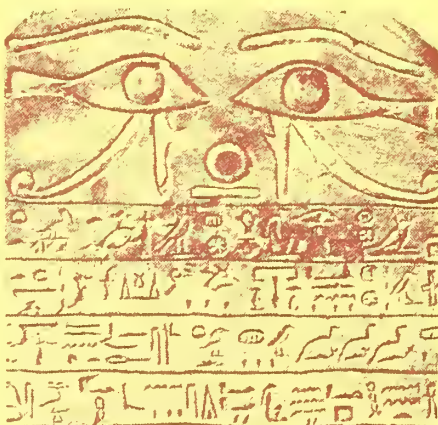
U.S. Department of Agriculture
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the Department of Transportation. Several other agencies are now at the negotiation/planning stage. Also under consideration is a pilot project with the Library of Congress on Congressional hearings which, it is hoped, will lead to more extensive cooperation in the future. An interesting by-product of these efforts is the eventual establishment of an on-line authority system for U.S. corporate entries.



Questions about this program may be directed to the GPO Library Division, to Mr. Stuart Greenberg, Chief, Classification and Cataloging Branch (703-557-2135).



Odd Items!

Did you know that the **Monthly Catalog** for June 1952 has a document listed on page 40 without a SuDocs number? One eagle-eyed librarian noticed, happened to need the information, and called the Library Division of GPO. Our Chief Classifier was skeptical but he personally checked both the MC and

our records—and gasped. On the spot he assigned the number to entry #9098. It is, a quarter of a century late: Y 4.Sm 1/2: A1 8/2.

If you happen upon an "odd item" which might be of interest to depository librarians, send it along to the Editor of HIGHLIGHTS for possible publication.

Special Needs

If your depository library has some special needs of a general or specific nature, let us know. Below are some recent requests. If you can offer discards, write the requesting depository a letter (sending a copy to your regional). The library accepting the material agrees to pay any postage and packing costs that may be necessary.

Specific needs

Congressional Record, vols. 97, pts. 8, 10, 16, index; 100, pt. 5; 102 pt. 3; 107, pt. 17, index; 108, pt. 18, index; 109, pts. 11, 12, 15, 17, index, daily digest; 117, pt. 24; 118, pts. 6, 9, 16, daily digest.

Ms. Veronica Maclay
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American Education, 1971, July; 1973, Aug., Sept.; 1974, April.
Appalachia, vols. 1-8.
Business Conditions Digest, 1976, June.
Employments & Earnings, 1975, July.
Federal Budget, 1972.

Mr. S. Mark Jarrell
Government Documents Librarian
William C. Jason Library
Delaware State College
Dover, Delaware 19901



Numerical List & Schedule of Volumes, 74th Congress, 1st Session; 75th Congress, 2nd Session; 77th Congress, 1st Session.
Serial Set, any volumes, 70th-81st Congress

Ms. Nancy Lazar, Librarian
Judges Library
Room 5518, U.S. Court of Appeals
U.S. Court House
Washington, D.C. 20001

Congressional Record, vols. 117, pts. 24, 33-36; 118, pt. 1; 119, pts. 13-24, 26, 32.

Ms. Jean M. Peters
Documents Librarian
Charles A. Dana Library
Stetson University College of Law
1401-61st Street South
St. Petersburg, Florida 33707

Numerical List & Schedule of Volumes, 93rd Congress, 1st Session.

Mrs. Rita C. Burkett
Reference Assistant—Documents
Roy O. West Library
DePauw University
Greencastle, Indiana 46135

U.S. Board of Geographic Names, Gazetteers for Czechoslovakia, Ethiopia, Ireland, Luxembourg, Netherlands Antilles, Philippines, Poland, South Africa, Switzerland, United Kingdom.

Ms. Rebekah M. Harleston
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Monthly Catalog, 1964, Feb.; any before 1947.

Mr. William McCleary
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Louisiana State University in Shreveport Library
8515 Youree Drive
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U.S. Statutes at Large, vol. 72, pt. 1.

Mr. Richard Harmon
Documents Librarian
Flint Public Library
1026 East Kearsley Street
Flint, Michigan 48502

Resources in Education, 1975, vol. 10, nos. 9, 11, 12; 1976, vol. 11, nos. 1-3.

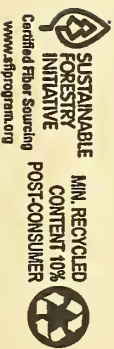
Mrs. Kathryn Erisman
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<p>Congressional Record, vol. 117, pts. 22, 24. (bound)</p> <p>Monthly Checklist of State Publications, 1967, Jan.-Apr.; 1975, May.</p> <p>Ms. Joyce Wilowatyj Documents Librarian Harry A. Sprague Library Upper Montclair, New Jersey 07043</p> <p>Congressional Record, vols. 115, pt. 1; 116, pt. 24, 25; 117, pt. 34.</p> <p>Ms. Mary Boddy Documents Librarian New Mexico Junior College Pannell Library Hobbs, New Mexico 88240</p> <p>Dictionary of American Naval Fighting Ships, vol. 2 (C-F)</p> <p>Mr. Stephen C. Erskine Documents Librarian Seymour Library 176 Genesee Street Auburn, New York 13021</p> <p>U.S.-Puerto Rico Commission on the Status of Puerto Rico, 1966. Hearings, 3 vols.; Report; Selected Background Studies.</p> <p>Mr. Roger A. Jones Documents Librarian Documents Center NYU/Bobst Library 70 Washington Square South New York, New York 10012</p>	<p>ERIC-Research in Education, 1972 and earlier.</p> <p>Mrs. Helen Sistrunk Assistant Librarian Carrie Rich Memorial Library Campbell College Buies Creek, North Carolina 27506</p> <p>U.S. Customs Court Reports, vols. 10, 11, 13-16, 18, 21-23, 27, 30, 50-52.</p> <p>Mrs. Josephine Ansley Documents Librarian Jay P. Taggart Law Library Ada, Ohio 45810</p> <p>Resources in Education, 1976, Jan.-June, semiannual index.</p> <p>Ms. Helen E. Shively Reference Librarian Ashland College Library Ashland, Ohio 44805</p> <p>Monthly Catalog, 1885-1918.</p> <p>Ms. Caroline C. Long Documents Librarian Franklin & Marshall College Library Lancaster, Pennsylvania 17604</p> <p>Digest of International Law (Whiteman), vol. 2.</p> <p>Treaties and Other International Agreements of the U.S.A., 1776-1949 (Bevans), vol. 6.</p> <p>Ms. Louise Rurode Devereaux Library</p>	<p>South Dakota School of Mines & Technology Rapid City, South Dakota 57701</p> <p>Treaties and Other International Agreements of the U.S.A., 1176-1949 (Bevans), vol. 9.</p> <p>Mr. Karl T. Gruben, Librarian State Law Library P.O. Box 12367 Austin, Texas 78711</p> <p>Cumulated Index Medicus, 1972, vol. 13 (bound).</p> <p>Mental Retardation Abstracts, 1973, vol. 10, nos. 1-3.</p> <p>Research in Education, 1969, vol. 4, nos. 3-5.</p> <p>Ms. Mary R. Costello Documents Librarian Library-Learning Resources Center Castleton State College Castleton, Vermont 05735</p> <p>Documents Catalog, vols. 1, 7-10.</p> <p>Mr. Jay W. Rea Documents Librarian Eastern Washington State College Cheney, Washington 99004</p>



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